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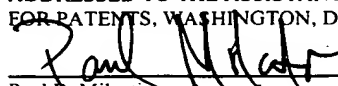
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In Re Application of:

David A. Bishop and Kelvin M. Hoover

Serial No.: 09/586,740**Group Art Unit:** 2756**Technology Center** 2100**Filing Date:** June 5, 2000**Examiner:** N/A**For:** Enterprise Management SystemDATE OF DEPOSIT: November 2, 2000

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REGISTRATION NO.: 46,261

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is:

- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ An Amendment Responsive to the Office Action Dated _____.
- ☐ An Amendment Supplemental to the Paper filed _____.
- ☐ Other: _____.
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 was established in a previous submission.
- ☐ A Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

- ☐ This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ Substitute Pages _____ of the Specification are enclosed.
- ☐ An Abstract is enclosed.
- ☐ _____ Sheets of Proposed Corrected Drawings are enclosed.
- ☐ A Certified Copy of each of the following applications: _____
_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ An Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Attached Form 1449.
- ☐ A copy of each reference as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ Appended Material as follows: _____ .
- ☐ Other Material as follows: _____ .

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☐ No Additional Fee is Due.


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SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Under separate cover, a Substitute Specification is being submitted along with Transmittal of Substitute Specification (37. CFR 1.125) and Statement That Substitute Specification Contains No New Matter (37 CFR 1.125)

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 21 to 89 as follows:

21. The computer network of claim 6 wherein the user interface software component features drill down capability.
22. The computer network of claim 6 wherein the icons convey property information.
23. The computer network of claim 6 wherein the icons include actions icons which facilitate user initiation of actions.

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